

## IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) Method for adjusting specific quality characteristics and/or properties of pipes by means of pressure testing, particularly steel pipes for pipelines for combustible media, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein an additional water volume 11 is filled into each individual pipe 1 in addition to the water volume for the pressure test according to DIN EN 10208 part 2, with the requirement that the pipe material is loaded slightly in the plastic range.
2. (Currently Amended) Method according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the additional water volume 11 remains in the pipe for a period of 2 to 3 min.
3. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the pipe is enlarged at the outer diameter by 2 to 3 per thousand.

4. " (Currently Amended) Method according to claim 1,  
~~characterized in that~~ wherein  
the additional water volume 11 which is taken into consideration  
as anintended value is determined by filling in a step by step  
manner an additional water volume 11 into a test pipe 1 until  
the changes reach a previously determined limit value.
5. (Currently Amended) Use of the method according to ~~at least one~~  
~~of the preceding claims~~ claim 1 in spirally welded pipes 1.